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However, he would not elaborate.

The attorney said that Thoresen is from a "very wealthy, old Illinois family, people of repute."

"But the young man has gone screwball on collecting guns. I've tried for some years to get him to collect books, but he likes cannons. He has a childish, frenzied desire to get all these weapons.

"What scares me is that his brother was also crazy about guns and blew his brains out in Chicago two or three years ago."

ROMANIAN QUOTA

Ehrlich said that 30 tons of weapons seems an unreasonable estimate of Thoresen's hoard.

"That's enough weapons to equip the Romanian Army," he said.

Ehrlich maintained that Thoresen is not a member of the para-military group known as Minutemen or any other of "these jerk groups," and never has been.

The last he heard, he said, Thoresen was in New York City.